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For: AUTOMATIC METER READING SYSTEM USING LOCALLY COMMUNICATING UTILITY  
METERS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent Office on  
December 20, 2005, and to the Non-Compliant Amendment Notice mailed February 8, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Listing of claims** begins on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.